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- 1. At a meeting of the "democratic bloc" on 20 July 1953, Otto Grotewohl stated that future sessions of the Wolkskammer should have more debate and be more lively; the rubber-stamp appearance of the past must be eliminated.
- 2. At the same meeting Johannes Dieckmann (LDP) announced that the individual party "fractions" of the Volkskammer would meet before the session of 29 July 1953 to draw up a resolution for a vote of confidence in the East German government, which will be presented to the full Volkskammer for passage.
- 3. At the Volkskammer meeting of 20 July Grotewohl will announce the government's position regarding the events of 17 June, and will state his attitude on the "new course". The government will present new laws to the Volkskammer.
- 4. The Central Committee of the SED will hold a secret session from 24 to 26 July.

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CORRECTION

In paragraph 3 is a misprint for 29 July. meeting of 29 July..."

issued on 23 July 1953, the date given as 20 July Thus the sentence should begin "At the Volkskammer

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